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Sarah "Jessie" Ferguson Promoted to Program Administrator

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Sept. 23, 2016) – Kentucky Department of Corrections Deputy Commissioner Jim Erwin today announced that Jessie Ferguson has been promoted to program administrator for Adult Institutions. She assumed her new duties Sept. 12.

"Jessie Ferguson has always gone above and beyond in her job," said Erwin. "She has a proven performance record, and we are confident that she will excel in her new role as we move forward in several key areas."

Ferguson began her career with the Department of Corrections in 2003 as a correctional officer at Eastern Kentucky Correctional Complex (EKCC). In 2004, she was promoted to classification and treatment officer. Ferguson remained in that position until 2010, when she was promoted to the re-entry coordinator at EKCC. In 2013, she was assigned as the unit administrator for meritorious housing and the minimum security unit at the prison.

During her career, she has worked in restrictive housing and general population. She assisted with opening the first re-entry dorm at EKCC, and was the transfer coordinator for the institution.

Ferguson is a 2003 graduate of Eastern Kentucky University, where she earned a bachelor's degree in social work. She is a 2007 and 2011 graduate of the Commissioner's Executive Leadership Program. She also is a member of the Kentucky Council on Crime and Delinquency and the Correctional Peace Officers Foundation.

Editor's note: photo attached

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